

STRICKEN BY AN ASSASSIN.

The Empress of Austria Killed in Geneva, Switzerland, by an Italian Anarchist.

MEN AND WOMEN WEEPING IN THE STREETS AT BUDAPEST.

The President Appoints a Committee of Investigation to Examine Into the Conduct of the Commissary, Quartermaster and Medical Bureaus of the War Department. \$32,000 Gold Nugget.

Special from Geneva, Switzerland, of September 10, says: The Empress of Austria was assassinated this afternoon. It appears that Her Majesty was walking from her hotel to the landing place of the steamer at about 1 o'clock, when an Italian anarchist named Lucchioni, who was born in Paris, of Italian parents, suddenly approached and stabbed her to the heart. The Empress fell, got up again and was carried to the steamer, unconscious. The boat started, but seeing the Empress had not recovered consciousness, the captain returned and the Empress was carried to the Hotel Beauvillage, where she expired.

Men and Women Weeping in the Streets. The news of the assassination of the Queen of Hungary and Empress of Austria was received with consternation at Budapest, Hungary. Men and women were seen weeping in the streets. Everywhere mourning banners are displayed. Emperor Franz Joseph received the news at Schoenbrunn. His Majesty's journey to attend the manoeuvres at Zips, Hungary, was abandoned.

THE INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE.

Complete List of Those Asked to Serve—Col. Dan Lamont One of the Number.

The President has urged the following named gentlemen, among others, to accept a place on the committee requested by Secretary Alger to investigate the conduct of the war: General John M. Schofield, Gen. John B. Gordon, Gen. Granfield M. Dodge, President D. C. Gilman, Gen. Charles F. Manderson, Hon. Robert T. Lincoln, Hon. Daniel S. Lamont, Dr. W. W. Keen and James A. Sexton. The message which President McKinley addressed to each of these follows: "Will you render the country a great service by accepting appointment as a member of the committee to examine into the conduct of the commissary, quartermaster and medical bureaus of the war department during the year, and into the extent, causes and treatment of sickness in the field and in the camps? It is my desire that the full and exact truth shall be ascertained and made known. I cannot too strongly impress upon you the importance of this committee shall be of such high character as will command the complete confidence of the country, and I trust you will consent to serve. (Signed) WILLIAM MCKINLEY."

General John B. Gordon has declined to serve on the commission requested by Secretary Alger to investigate the conduct of the Spanish-American war, giving as his reason his unstable health.

Khalifa's Force Meets Warm Reception.

A special from Omdurman says that Khalifa Abdullah a few days before the arrival of the Anglo-Egyptian army heard that a force of white men occupied Fashoda, a town on the west bank of the White Nile, four hundred miles south of Khartoum. The Khalifa immediately sent two steamers to investigate the report. One of them returned and surrendered to Gen. Kitchener. The commander of the steamer reported that on his arrival at Fashoda he found that the place was occupied by a force of whites. The latter opened a heavy fire on the steamer, which narrowly escaped being annihilated, the crew losing many killed and wounded. Many bullets were embedded in the hull of the steamer. It seems to be certain that the whites at Fashoda are a force of French troops. The British commander will send a flotilla of gunboats to the White Nile to investigate the affair. The Anglo-Egyptian cavalry has captured the principal wife of the Khalifa, the mother of Osman Digma and Sheikh Eddin. They were found in extreme destitution on the left bank of the Nile.

\$32,000 Gold Nugget.

A special from Vancouver, B. C., says: Australian advices received here on the steamer Miowera say an immense sensation has been created all over Australia by the discovery near Lake Wynne, of a gold nugget weighing 115 pounds and valued at \$32,000.

The Protocol Adopted.

A special from Madrid says the Senate has adopted the Hispano-American protocol by a sitting and standing vote.

Fusion in Colorado.

Fusion between the Democrats, Populists and the Teller branch of the silver Republicans was arranged at Colorado Springs recently. After a struggle lasting 36 hours between the conference committees of the three parties an agreement was reached by which the offices were apportioned between the parties. The Democrats received the governorship.

The Government's Report.

The returns for cotton to the statisticians of the Department of Agriculture indicates an average condition of 78.3 on September 1st, as compared with 91.3 on August 1st, a decline of 11 points during the month.

Roosevelt Accepts.

Col. Theodore Roosevelt authorized the nomination that he will accept the nomination for Governor of New York, should it be tendered to him by the convention of the party to be held at Saratoga.

Schooner Wrecked.

A special from Planter, Fla., says: The schooner Belle, from Indian River, Capt. Powell, was caught in a gale off Key Largo and driven on the reef. The captain and crew were supposed to be lost.

At Havana's Gates. A special from Havana says: Ten thousand insurgents under the command of General Hayia Rodriguez and General Diaz have surrendered Havana and will attempt to enter the city during the stay of American peace commissioners. There are with them many reconciliators who are suffering with hunger. Thus far they have remained several miles from the Spanish lines and have threatened no demonstration, but persons in authority fear serious trouble will result if they attempt to enter Havana. The insurgents, however, declare that their coming is without hostile intention. They think they would be allowed to enter peacefully.

Archives Shipped to Spain. A special from Havana says: The entire archives from the military governor's palace were delivered to lighters and conveyed to the Spanish mail steamer Ciudad de Cadiz, which sailed for Spain recently. Similar preparations are being made for early departure in every branch of the government.

Every time a circus comes to town, all the local band men want to join the band.

ARMY AND NAVY DOINGS.

The Movements of Our Army and Navy Briefly Told.

Members of the Third Alabama (negro) engaged in a riot at Anniston, Ala., recently, which came near having serious results. A member of the regiment was arrested by the police for disorderly conduct and lodged in jail. Members of the Third Tennessee and Second Arkansas assisted in upholding the law. At night nearly 500 of the Third Alabama slipped out of camp and went to town with the intention of liberating their comrade. At the prison they were met by the provost guard. They then gathered at another point where there were white soldiers and citizens. Here a riot was soon in progress and a dozen or more pistol shots were fired. Two negro soldiers and a member of the Second Arkansas were shot. The white officers finally forced the negro soldiers in line and marched them back to camp. The wounds were slight.

The transport Mississippi reached New York recently from Ponce, with 632 men, 50 civilians and 194 horses; the soldiers belonging to Troops A and C, New York Cavalry; First City Troop, of Philadelphia; Sheridan Troops, of Tyrone, Pa.; the Governor's Troops, of Harrisburg, and Battery A, Pennsylvania Volunteer Artillery.

The President has made the following promotions for distinguished services at Santiago: To be major-generals of volunteers, Brigadier General S. Sumner; to be brigadier-generals, Colonel Richard E. Combs, Fifth Infantry, and Lieutenant Colonel Joseph T. Haskell, Seventeenth Infantry.

Major General John R. Brooke, the American commander, has arrived safely at Rio Piedras, suburb of San Juan, Porto Rico. Colonel Pino, the local Spanish commander at Rio Piedras, rode to the outskirts of the town and greeted General Brooke, in behalf of Captain General Macias.

It is the purpose of War Department to establish a rendezvous for troops in the vicinity of Honolulu very soon. One of the purposes of General Merriam's trip to Hawaii was to ascertain if suitable camping grounds could be obtained, and the War Department expects to have a report from him within a short time.

One result of the war will be the establishment of a permanent fleet of army transport vessels on the Atlantic and on the Pacific. To this end, and for the purpose of administering the affairs of this new branch of military service, a transportation bureau of the quartermaster's department will be established.

The United States transport Obdam, having on board Major General Nelson A. Miles and his staff, Major General Leaf, Captain Whitney, the Second Regiment of thirty officers and 800 men, and the hospital corps, from Porto Rico, arrived at New York recently.

Surgeon General Sternberg has received a dispatch from Porto Rico, saying that there were four cases of yellow fever and one death among the troops there. This is the first report of yellow fever among the troops in Porto Rico.

Camp Wikoff is now a camp of regulars, 5,000 horse, at 8,000 feet. The last of the volunteers, save the Rough Riders and the sick, have left for their homes. Eleven hundred recruits for the regular infantry have arrived from Southern posts.

The gun boat Wasp, Captain Ward, sailed from San Juan, Porto Rico, for Charleston, S. C., recently with Capt. W. M. Folger, Ensign Blackley and Cadet Nelson, of the New Orleans. Lieutenant Commander Dey is left in command of the New Orleans.

General Lawton's bulletin from Santiago on Sept. 10, reports that the total force, 240; total new cases fever, 38; total returned to duty, 71.

The Eighth Ohio Regiment, known as the "President's Own," reached Cincinnati recently in three sections. When the train arrived the Regiment had two hundred and thirty sick, but none in a serious condition.

The steamship City of Rome has been chartered by Captain Eulate, of the Spanish navy, to transport 100 Spanish officers and 1,800 men.

The Navy Department has definitely determined to send the battleships Iowa and Oregon around into the Pacific for station in Hawaiian waters.

The steamship Panama arrived at Fort Monroe recently from Porto Rico, bringing 359 soldiers belonging to Massachusetts, Iowa, Pennsylvania and Illinois regiments. Thirty of the men were sick.

It is said at the War Department that the troops which will be used to garrison Cuba pending the establishment of some permanent government there, will be principally regulars. The regiments, however, have not yet been selected.

Governor Tanner, of Illinois, has selected Miss Daisy Leiter, daughter of Levi Z. Leiter, of Chicago, to christen the battleship Illinois, which will be launched at Newport. News the latter part of this month.

The United States transport, Seneca, arrived at San Juan Sept. 6 with Admiral Schley and Gen. Gordon of the Porto Rico military commission. She then proceeded to Ponce, with \$1,000,000 for the troops.

Lieutenant Guy Morgan, of the Twenty-second Kansas, who was tried by general court-martial on a charge of deserting the graves of Confederate soldiers in the South, has been acquitted.

Five hundred Hebrew families from various cities are ready to embark as settlers in Porto Rico.

Secretary Alger has announced that he intends to make a tour of the various camps at which large bodies of men are now stationed with a view to ascertaining for himself the exact condition of affairs.

General Shafter is having great difficulty with desertions among the regulars in camp. Over three hundred have gone from the army since it has returned from Santiago.

SILVER FACTIONS CLASH.

British Vice Consul at Candia Burned by Mussulmans.

LI HUNG CHANG DEPOSED.

Governor Pingree Hooted Down While Attacking Secretary Alger by G. A. R. Men. 10,800 Dervishes Killed.

A special from Colorado Springs, Col., of Sept. 7, says:—A pitched battle occurred in this city at daybreak, today, between the two factions of the silver Republican party of this State, in which one man was killed and three were wounded. The dead man is Charles S. Harris, of Denver, an employe at Denver of the Gulf Railroad. The wounded were removed by their friends, and their identity has not been definitely established. It is said that a man named Palmer was shot in the cheek, but not seriously injured. Another man had his hand shot nearly off and another received a flesh wound in the arm.

The British War Office has received a dispatch from General Sir Herbert Kitchener, the commander of the Anglo-Egyptian forces, dated from Omdurman saying that over 300 Arabs, mounted on camels, were dispatched after the fugitive Khalifa Abdullah. The general added that the Dervish leader was reported to be moving with



such speed that some of his wives had been dropped along the road followed by him. The Sirdar says, also: "Officers have been counting the Dervish bodies on the field, and report the total number of dead found as about 10,500. From the number of wounded who were killed in the river and town, it is estimated that 16,000 were wounded. Besides the above between 300 and 400 Dervishes were killed in Omdurman when the town was taken. I have as prisoners between 3,000 and 4,000 fighting men."

Iowa's Fusion Ticket. The fusion convention of the Democrats, Populists and silver Republicans of Iowa was held at Marshalltown. The attendance was small. A ticket made up of the three factions was nominated. The platform reaffirms the Chicago platform and re-asserts the party's allegiance to free coinage at 16 to 1; endorses Wm. J. Bryan for leader in 1900; upholds the commencement of the war with Spain, but scores Secretary Alger and the national administration for the conduct of hostilities in the Philippines; and for territorial expansion the sentiment of the delegates was almost equally divided.

Pingree Hooted Down. Governor Pingree spoke to the G. A. R. men at Cincinnati, and during his speech referred to the mismanagement and desertion of the soldiers. He cited several instances of suffering due to the delay of "red tape," and became very vehement in denunciation of such formalities at the sacrifice of comfort, health and human life. After citing a particular case of bad management in the distribution of district agents, he said: "If Secretary _____ but Governor Pingree never finished that sentence. A voice in the audience cried: "Hurrah for Alger!" The cry was taken up in a boisterous chorus. Governor Pingree continued his efforts to resume, and only inflamed the audience more and soon shouts of "Take him off!" "We don't want to hear him!" and the like, were heard throughout the hall.

Sued for \$15,000 Damages. James R. Scott, through his attorney, J. A. Johnson, has filed suit against the Norfolk & Washington Steamboat Company for \$15,000 damages for injuries received in a collision between the Newport News and Columbia, near Alexandria, on September 6, 1897.

Emperor William's Idea of Peace. Emperor William, speaking at a banquet at Porto, Westphalia, on the subject of the government labors, said: "Peace will never be better guaranteed than by the German army thoroughly efficient and prepared for war, sections of which we now have the pleasing opportunity of seeing and admiring. God grant we may always be able to care for the world's peace with this keen and well preserved weapon."

BRITISH VICE-CONSUL BURNED.

How the Disturbance Originated—Twenty Killed and Fifty Wounded.

A special from Candia, Island of Crete, of Sept. 7 says: The British battleship Camperdown, having on board Sir A. Billotti, the British consul at Candia, has arrived here. Several other warships have also reached this port, re-enforcements of bluejackets have been landed and an early restoration of quiet is expected. The fires have been extinguished. During the rioting the British and German consulates were burned. The custom house, barracks and court house were saved. Quiet is being rapidly restored.

Sir A. Billotti, the British consul at Candia, who was on board the British battleship Camperdown, cabled to the Foreign Office, saying that the rioting at Candia was caused in the following manner: A British soldier on guard at the tax office was



suddenly stabbed in the back and he dropped his rifle, which exploded, killing a Mussulman. The firing then became general and a party of twenty British bluejackets, from the British torpedo gun-boat Hazard, was almost annihilated before the sailors could reach the ship. In addition, a detachment of 45 British soldiers were driven from their quarters near the telegraph station, and many of them were wounded. The total casualties so far as known are 30 killed and 50 wounded. The fate of the Christians in other towns is uncertain, but it is feared that only those who succeeded in obtaining refuge in the court houses have been saved. The British vice consul, Mr. Calochertino, was burned to death in his house.

Polavieja's Revolt. A special from Madrid, says General Polavieja, the former captain general of the Philippine Islands, has issued a manifesto, in which he says that while he was never a politician, he "cannot any longer hearken to the sorrows of

my country without protesting." The general asserting that he has received numerous calls to place himself at the head of a neutral party, adds: "The parties which have hitherto governed Spain are rotten and the principle cause of the country's troubles."



General Sir Herbert Kitchener. (Commander of the Anglo-Egyptian Army which destroyed the Mahdists' Power.)

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To Sell Them as Historical Souvenirs. The bullion dealers who purchased the Spanish gold, silver and notes found on the Infanta Maria Teresa after the battle of July 3, propose to dispose of the whole lot to the public at a premium over the face value, as interesting historical souvenirs. The coins are tarnished by fire and water and the notes are tattered.

In Honor of Their Queen. The Dutch residents of Wilhelmina Caroline colony, Md., held a little celebration of their own recently in honor of their Queen. They would up by sending a cablegram to her Majesty congratulating her and conveying the "love and good wishes of the Hollanders in Wilhelmina colony."

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Joseph Chamberlain in New York. Right Hon. Jos. Chamberlain, Secretary of State for the British colonies, and Birmingham's representative in Parliament, arrived in New York recently on the White Star liner Majestic. He was accompanied by his wife and Miss Chamberlain.

A cablegram from General Brooke, at Porto Rico, to the War Department indicates that while the charge that American troops are not receiving proper medical attention is unfounded, there is an increase of sickness.

ATTEMPT TO KILL THE QUEEN.

Prediction That Silvela Will Develop Into a Despotic Dictator.

SENATOR GRAY APPOINTED.

Impressive Funeral Ceremonies at Camp Wikoff—Wants Gen. Gordon to Serve—Turkish Troops Must be Withdrawn.

BERLIN. (By Cable.)—The Lokalanzeiger says that a fortnight ago an attempt was made to assassinate Queen Wilhelmina near Amersfort, province of Utrecht and Baara. A man emerged from behind a tree and fired a revolver at Her Majesty. The bullet missed the Queen but ploughed the cheek of a lady in attendance. The would be assassin was arrested. He is supposed to be an English anarchist. The strictest secrecy has been maintained hitherto as to the affair, in order not to disturb the enjoyment of the enthronement festivities.

A Despotic Dictator. The following statement has been made by an important Spanish official: "Senor Silvela (the leader of a section of the Conservative party) refuses the government the support of his party, although he is fully aware of the difficulties of the situation. He is doubtless prompted by the desire to obtain power. We will do all in our power to realize his desire with short delay. The country will then see how soon the man, who is now posing as a liberal, will be transformed into a despotic dictator."

Wants Gordon to Serve. President McKinley recently tendered Gen. Gordon a position as a member of "a commission to examine into the conduct of the commissary and medical departments of the army in the recent war with Spain." President McKinley expressed the opinion that General Gordon would do the country a great service by accepting a position on the commission and earnestly hoped that he would see fit to become a member. The President has also tendered Maj. Gen. Schofield a place on the commission with Gen. Gordon.

Impressive Funeral Services. The most impressive scene witnessed since Camp Wikoff was organized occurred when Captain Bradshaw, of the Hundred and Seventy-first New York Regiment, read the ritual for the dead over the bodies of Cadet Joe Wheeler, Jr., and Lieut. Kirkpatrick, who were drowned recently. The whole camp showed their sympathy with General Wheeler in his great sorrow. The loss of these two young officers has cast a great shadow over the camp.

Turkish Troops Must Withdraw. The admirals of the foreign powers replying to the protests of the Cretan executive committee against the massacre by the Turks have declared that they will recommend that their respective governments solve the question definitely by the removal of the Turkish troops from the island of Crete and the appointment of a government selected by the powers.

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NORTH CAROLINA CROP BULLETIN.

Prospects for Good Cotton Crop Not Encouraging—Corn Crop Good.

Expectations for a good crop of cotton are becoming less every day. In addition to the damage caused by rust, shedding and rotting of lower bolls, the humid, sultry weather is causing open cotton to sprout in the bolls. Cotton is opening rapidly, and picking is already somewhat behindhand, though progressing rapidly where not too wet. Cutting and curing tobacco is now active in the north-central portion of the State and probably the bulk of the crop remaining will be safely housed within the next ten days. On the whole, the crop has turned out to be a very good one, though lately some complaints of poor cures have been received from three or four counties. There has been a little damage to standing tobacco by second growth and worms.

The corn crop is still considered extra good, except on bottoms where injured by freshets or standing water. Some smart and rotting is reported. The conditions have been extremely unfavorable for saving fodder; a good deal has fired on the stalk and much which was pulled in time was ruined by rotting, so that, except locally, not much good fodder was saved. There would be a fine crop of hay, but it is being saved with difficulty. Rice is fine and cutting has commenced. Some early peanuts have been dug, with better returns than expected. Making syrup from sorghum cane has begun. Late vegetables are almost a total failure. Open weather is now very necessary for harvesting.

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